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1. As of August 1954, the following prices were current in Bulgaria:

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Article	Price
Dark bread	3 leva per kilogram
White bread	3.8 leva per kilogram
Pork,	16-18 leva per kilogram
Butter	23 leva per kilogram
Sunflower seed oil	14-16 leva per kilogram
Sugar	9.5 - 10 leva per kilogram
Milk	5 leva per kilogram (from farmers)
	3 leva per kilogram (from state stores)
Eggs	.8 - 1 leva each (from farmers)
	.72 leva each (from state stores)
Tomatoes	12 leva per kilogram
Potatoes	1 leva per kilogram (from farmers)
	.8 - .9 leva per kilogram (from state stores).

2. The merchandise is fresh and may be selected when purchased from farmers or country markets. At the State Stores there is no possibility for selection, and their freshness leaves much to be desired. During the last two years the prices were reduced three times for a total of 20-25 percent.
3. The categories of salaried technical officials are listed in a schedule known as the "Inzhenerno Tekhnicheski Rabotnitsi." Their salaries vary between 750 and 1400 leva per month. For example, at the "Galenus" Factory in Sofia, some of the salaries were as follows:

- a. Director General, 1400 leva per month;

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- b. Technical Director, 1200 leva a month;
 - c. Director in Chief of the Bacteriological Section, 820 leva per month; and
 - d. Pharmacist, 730 leva per month.
4. Office employees receive an average monthly salary of 500-600 leva per month. Special family allowances are limited to children, at 14 leva per child. The wife of an employee, even though ill, does not receive any special allowance. A dividend for the percentage of over-production is distributed very rarely.



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